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The Liquor Problem.

The Rock Hill District Conference Condemns the Dispensary.

Yorkville special in Sunday's State: The Rock Hill district conference in session here adopted the following report on temperance today:

"The subject before your committee is one of vital importance not only to our district, but to our State and nation as well. In fact, the evil of intemperance is one of world wide significance. In all ages of the world and among all nations of the earth, intemperance has occupied a foremost place among the forces which have operated in the disorganization of nations, the overthrow of kingdoms and the destruction of empires. Intemperance is not only universal in affecting all nations, but in its effect upon the individual as well as affecting him in body and mind and spirit, it injures him in body by burning out the tissues, thus rendering it the easy prey of deadly disease. It injures him in mind by blunting the perceptive powers, thus disqualifying him for comprehending the acute distinctions between right and wrong, truth and falsehood, righteousness and iniquity. It injures him in soul by lowering the moral tone, degrading the moral nature and weakening his spiritual powers, thus rendering him incapacitated for living in touch with the higher spiritual realm or fellowship with the divine.

"The most gigantic evil today in South Carolina is the liquor traffic. The hellish octopus with its seat of authority in our fair capital has insinuated its diabolical and damning influence into every part of our commonwealth. We call upon our people to rise up and crush the monster evil.

"Methodism has always led in the temperance crusade. She was the first church ever to have a rule against drunkenness or drinking spirituous liquors. From that day till this Methodism has never receded from her position.

"The general conference of the Northern Methodist church declared the State of intoxication cannot be legalized without sin.

Our own general conference which met in Birmingham last May enacted the following law and it will be incorporated in our new book of discipline. Let all our preachers and members abstain from the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, from signing petitions for such sale, from becoming bondsmen for any person as a condition for obtaining a license, from acting as a dispenser or voluntarily accepting an appointment or election as such under the laws of any State in which there is a dispensary law

authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquors by the State, county or municipality and from renting property to be used for any such sale. If any member shall violate any of the provisions of this paragraph he shall be deemed guilty of immorality. Nevertheless in the of a member who shall sign a petition for such sale or shall act as a dispenser or voluntarily accept election or appointment to any office created for the purpose of selling or dispensing intoxicating liquors on behalf of the State, county or municipality, it shall be the duty of the pastor to deal with the offender as provided for in chapter VII, section 5 paragraph 299, page 126.

"We appeal to our legislature and beg the members thereof to banish the liquor traffic from our State. No legislature has a right to bargain away the morals of a people.

"Realizing the necessity of an aggressive campaign against the great liquor evil at this time we offer the following resolutions:

"1. That the subject of temperance be systematically taught in our Sunday schools.

"2. That our pastors be requested to preach on the subject more frequently.

"3. That it is the duty of every Methodist to use his power of suffrage to banish this gigantic evil from our State."

(Signed)

"Watson B. Duncan,

"W. W. Lewis,

"J. C. Counts,

"R. Allison,

"Committee."

Former Pastor of East Lancaster Given Long Vacation.

Rev. W. C. Winn and family left Thursday morning for Western Arkansas, where they will spend about two months with relatives of Mrs. Winn. Mr. Winn and several of his children have been in very poor health for some time and they hope to be benefited by a change of climate.—Rock Hill Herald.

Killed Herself by Driving Nails in Her Head.

Larado, Ark., July 21.—Mrs. Azelia Tompkins, aged 70, committed suicide by driving two ten-penny nails into her head.

She was blind and partially deaf and had once before attempted suicide by cutting her throat.

Jeff Davis Juror Dead.

Richmond, July 21.—Frederick Smith, colored, one of the panel of twenty-four jurors summoned to try Jefferson Davis for alleged high treason against the United States, died in the city home here today. He was nearing the 90th year of his age.

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Farmers' Institutes.

The Meetings this Week, under Auspices of Clemson College Professors—The Exhibit Cars.

This is preeminently farmers' institute week in Lancaster county, as many as five held and to be held altogether. The Clemson College professors, by whom the institutes are conducted, began their work in this county Monday at Pleasant Valley, where, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, an ideal institute was held, about 200 persons being present. The meeting was presided over by the Hon. O. W. Potts, who introduced the lecturers, the exercises being first opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bennett.

Dr. L. A. Klein, veterinary surgeon of Clemson, delivered an interesting lecture on the care of domestic animals, especially horses. He spoke of the various diseases of animals, their prevention and cure.

Prof. W. S. Morrison made a highly entertaining and instructive address on the subject of industrial education, under the heads of personal efficiency, social efficiency, culture training and character forming.

Prof. C. L. Newman, assistant professor of agriculture, delivered a splendid lecture on the care of the soil. He answered many questions asked by intelligent farmers in relation to fertilizers, etc.

Two institutes were held yesterday, one at Lancaster court house and the other at Antioch. Professors Morrison and Newman spoke at the latter meeting, making practically the same speeches made by them at Pleasant Valley. A large crowd was present and the occasion was greatly enjoyed by all in attendance. A splendid dinner was served.

The speaking here was in progress when The News went to press yesterday afternoon, the meeting being in charge of Prof. H. D. House and Dr. Klein.

A leading and intensely interesting feature of the institute here yesterday was the exhibit cars, two in number, at the Southern depot and in charge of Mr. C. A. Hale, the affable representative of the Southern Railway's Land and Industrial department. Recognizing the importance and value of the work being done by Clemson, the Southern furnishes and transports these cars free of charge. They contain elaborate exhibits of the various kinds of work being done in the several departments of the college, as well as other interesting collections.

One of the most perfect exhibits is a 14 in. 6 ft. engine lathe made by the graduating class of 1902-3, which was awarded a gold medal at the World's Fair year before last. Specimens of wood work, machine work, foundry

work and forge work are also displayed; also a lot of fine drawing patterns—all the work of the students. In the same department is a base for a 15-horse power motor, also made by students; and likewise a Jacquard loom, with all the paraphernalia, including the perforated mats, incident to this wonderful weaving machine. Of special interest to dairymen is a machine for testing the relative quantity of cream in the milk of cows; also a churn and butter worker. The churn is called the Surprise churn, which is said to give better results than others. There is also a cream separator, which instantly separates the cream from fresh milk. Many kinds of grasses are attractively displayed on the sides of the car, also specimens of grain, wheat, oats, etc.—There are on exhibition altogether 25 different varieties of wheat, 30 varieties of Irish potatoes, 45 varieties of cow peas, 67 of cotton—all raised at Clemson. There are altogether in the world about 200 kinds of cotton and about 100 varieties of cow peas. Fine, large specimens of the Yellow Globe onion, planted from the seed 25th Oct. 1905 and gathered 25th June 1906, are to be seen—and smelt. The exhibit of cabbages is also very fine. The Alfalfa exhibit is also good, being a sample of a crop that yielded 6 tons to the acre. It is said to be the coming forage crop of this country.—There are also glass jars containing mixtures of grain, hay, cotton seed meal, etc., showing the correct proportions of each to be fed to stock in order to get best results. It is a remarkable fact that cotton seed meal enters into the feed of every animal except the pig. A striking exhibit is the skeleton of a horse, showing every bone in the animal's body. The mineral exhibit is also interesting. In it is a specimen of Haile gold mine ore. The textile department, showing many specimens of high grade woven goods, done by the students, is especially interesting to ladies. There are samples of artificial silk made of cotton so closely resembling the genuine article that even experts find it difficult to tell the difference. For lack of space and time we can only refer to this feature of the exhibit, and for the same reasons we are obliged to forego mentioning many other objects of interest in the cars. They should be visited to be appreciated.

The Elgin institute will be held today and Kershaw's tomorrow.

Child Drank Indelible Ink.

Union special in Columbia State:—The little three-year-old daughter of Rev. D. M. McLeod, pastor of Grace Methodist church of this city, and a prominent member of the conference, came near dying yesterday afternoon as the result of being poisoned by taking a bottle of indelible ink, and only by hard work was its life saved.

Fearful Railroad Wreck.

A Passenger and Freight Train Crash into Each Other Near Hamlet, N. C.—Many Persons Killed.

Hamlet, July 23—2:50 a. m.—Passenger train No. 44 and first No. 39, which was a freight, collided head on one and one-half miles west of here at 8:32 p. m. to night. Up to this hour, 2 o'clock, 20 dead have been taken from under the debris, and 25 injured, many of whom will die.

Capt. Frank B. Lewis, who was at throttle of the passenger train, was killed outright. H. S. Byrd, baggagemaster, was the only other white person killed.

Capt. J. D. Bowen was in charge of the passenger train, and he is the only one of the crew of his train that was not killed. He escaped with a few bruises about the hip.

Engineer J. O. Bundy and Capt. W. H. Hunt were in charge of the freight train. Mr. Bundy jumped and was not seriously injured.

The catastrophe is the worst that has ever occurred on the Seaboard system. The second-class car and the baggage car were telescoped and the passengers, all colored, in that car were killed or injured. It took about five hours to get the dead and injured from the wreck. All the doctors of Hamlet and Rockingham were dispatched to the scene and attended the injured.

It is impossible at this hour to ascertain the cause of the wreck. Capt. Bowen says that he was given a white board at Rockingham. Capt. Lewis, the dead engineer, was one of the most beloved men of the system. He had been round-house foreman up to two weeks ago and resigned to go back to the road.

Passengers and mail were transferred. The injured were sent on a special train to Charlotte this morning, where they will be taken care of in the hospitals there.

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Where and When Chesterfield's Candidates are to Speak.

The following is the schedule of appointments for Chesterfield county candidates:

Brock's Mill, Friday Aug. 11.	11.
Campbell's Mill, Sat., "	13.
Bay Spring, Mon., "	20.
McBee, Tuesday, "	21.
Catawba, Wednesday, "	22.
Jefferson, at night "	23.
Five Forks, Thurs., "	24.
Mt. Croghan, Fri., "	25.
Ruby, at night, "	26.
Chesterfield, Sat., "	27.

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